

28 February 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR: DEPUTY DIRECTOR (PLANS)

SUBJECT: Mr. Gray's report to the President

1. We do not recommend that the full text--nor an extended portion of the text--be released to the press.

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In that section of the report entitled "The Origins of The Psychological Strategy Board", the last paragraph on page 6 and the first two paragraphs on page 7 contain information which we think it would not be in the public interest to release.

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The section of the report entitled "Some Misconceptions" (pages 10 through 13) should not be made public for obvious reasons of policy. This section would clearly have "news value" but of an undesirable nature.

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The section entitled "The Psychological Strategy Board Today", (pages 14 through 16), which details the activities of the Director's staff have little or no "news value" and probably would not be reproduced in full by the press. If parts of this section were quoted out of context they might tend to confuse rather than to enlighten the public.

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2. However, other sections of the report dealing with basic issues, notably pages 1 through 5, and especially Mr. Gray's eloquent summation (page 17), could provide the basis for a broader message to the American public and indeed to the world if the President feels such a message desirable.

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3. An elaboration by the President (possibly at a special news conference) of certain themes which Mr. Gray has introduced might well serve to clarify the thinking of certain sections of the American public and that of our European Allies which are not yet fully persuaded that the vigorous nature of United States policy with respect to the cold war is completely justified.


Chief

Psychological Staff Division

Attachment

Mr. Gray's report

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